

Export Association and Tobacco Growers Information Committee. In 1977, he was appointed by the Carter administration to serve on the Agriculture Policy Advisory Committee for Trade Negotiations.

Not only did Albert's accomplishments encompass the tobacco industry, but they also extended into another important facet of his native State—the horse industry. Albert helped found the American Horse Council in 1969, and continued to serve as secretary of the organization for many years. His passion for horses benefited students at the University of Kentucky, where Albert played a vital role in the creation of the institution's Equine Research Foundation. He served as chairman there from 1988 to 1998 and was also instrumental in the formation of UK's Maxwell Gluck Equine Research Center. Albert maintained his involvement in the university, serving on the UK board of trustees, and as chairman of the board for several years.

I would like to express my appreciation for Albert Greene Clay's outstanding contributions to both the Commonwealth of Kentucky, and the entire United States.●

#### LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 2001

● Mr. SMITH of Oregon. Mr. President, I rise today to speak about hate crimes legislation I introduced with Senator KENNEDY in March of last year. The Local Law Enforcement Act of 2001 would add new categories to current hate crimes legislation sending a signal that violence of any kind is unacceptable in our society.

I would like to describe a terrible crime that occurred July 20, 2001, in Cullman, AL. Two black men were attacked inside their car after arriving at a party. The assailants, three white men, smashed the car with baseball bats and cut a racial slur into the side of the car. Authorities investigated the incident as a possible hate crime.

I believe that Government's first duty is to defend its citizens, to defend them against the harms that come out of hate. The Local Law Enforcement Enhancement Act of 2001 is now a symbol that can become substance. I believe that by passing this legislation and changing current law, we can change hearts and minds as well.●

#### 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF BIG BASIN REDWOODS STATE PARK

● Mrs. FEINSTEIN. Mr. President, I rise today to congratulate the Big Basin Redwoods State Park of Santa Cruz County in California on their 100th anniversary.

Established in 1902, Big Basin Redwoods State Park is California's oldest State park. Big Basin Redwoods is the birthplace of the original coastal redwood conservation movement. Today the results of the conservation movement can be seen in the 18,000-plus acres of California redwood forest.

The park has the largest continuous stand of Ancient Coast Redwoods south of San Francisco. Additionally, Big Basin Redwoods State Park is considered by many to be the birthplace of both the park and environmental movement in California.

At the turn of the 20th century, the remaining redwood forests were disappearing at rate that threatened massive destruction of the ancient trees. The only redwood forests left in America ranged from Oregon to Big Sur. Concerned citizens and organizations such as the Sempervirens Club, persuaded then-Governor Henry T. Gage to sign legislation that would set aside land for a redwood park.

Today, the ensuing generations of those environmentally concerned citizens are celebrating the 100th anniversary of the preservation of the California redwood lands. The perseverance and dedication to protecting primeval forest places that the founders of the Big Basin Redwoods State Park exemplified are recognized and celebrated today. Without such dedication to the environmental movement hundreds of forests across the country would have been destroyed.

The Big Basin Redwoods State Park contains both cultural and historical sites of national importance, wildlife habitats, natural ecological preserves, and recreational opportunities for the public. The Big Basin Redwoods State Park is a unique and uncommon place of historical and primeval environmental importance. Therefore, special recognition is deserved on September 13, 2002, the 100th anniversary of its founding.●

#### HONORING WALTER J. SCHRAMM THE OUTSTANDING OLDER WORKER OF SOUTH DAKOTA FOR 2001

● Mr. JOHNSON. Mr. President, I wish to publicly commend Walter Schramm, a resident of Winner, SD, on his selection as last year's Outstanding Older Worker of South Dakota.

The Outstanding Older Worker award is sponsored by Experience Works a national, nonprofit organization that provides training and employment services for mature workers. Walter will be honored in Washington, D.C., September 17-21, at the annual Experience Works Prime Time Awards Program. He will join 51 other outstanding older workers representing each State, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico. Due to the tragic incidents of September 11, 2001, and the subsequent cancellation of the Experience Works Prime Time Awards Program, Walter will be recognized at this year's event.

After serving in the Pacific theater in World War II as a Marine Air Corps pilot, Walter returned to the United States to complete his military service and start a career. With little money, and no retail experience, he opened the Schramm Furniture store in Winner. His lack of business knowledge and ex-

perience was overcome by his tremendous work ethic and strong sense of community. Walter's hard work and dedication over the years have helped him succeed and grow as a small business owner, and today, his two sons, Jeff and Tom, share the business with their father.

For the past 56 years Walter has been the owner/president of Schramm Furniture, Inc. At age 85, he continues to work six days a week, nine hours a day. Walter opened his business with the motto: "Provide good service to the customer and they will come back." Though times have changed, Walter's motto has remained the same, and today, just as 56 years ago, customers continue to return to Schramm Furniture for its reliable customer service.

Walter's tremendous contributions to the community, and civic/business leadership have set him apart from other outstanding senior workers. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and Rotary International, Trinity Lutheran Church, the SD Retailers Association, the Winner Athletic Association, and a lifetime member of the American Legion and VFW.

This prestigious honor is a reflection of his extraordinary service and commitment to the Winner community. Through his outstanding community involvement and dedication to service, the lives of countless South Dakotans have been enormously enhanced. His wonderful example serves as a model for other hard working and dedicated individuals throughout South Dakota to emulate.

Walter Schramm is an extraordinary person who richly deserves this distinguished recognition. I strongly commend his years of hard work and dedication, and I am very pleased that his substantial efforts are being publicly honored and celebrated. It is with great honor that I share his impressive accomplishments with my colleagues.●

#### HONORING RUSSELL WYATT THE OUTSTANDING OLDER WORKER OF SOUTH DAKOTA FOR 2002

● Mr. JOHNSON. Mr. President, I wish to publicly commend Russell Wyatt, a resident of Hot Springs, on his selection as this year's Outstanding Older Worker of South Dakota.

The Outstanding Older Worker award is sponsored by Experience Works, a national, nonprofit organization that provides training and employment services for mature workers. Russell will be honored in Washington, D.C., September 17-21, at the annual Experience Works Prime Time Awards Program. He will join 51 other outstanding older workers representing each State, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico.

At age 76, Russell Wyatt continues to own and operate Wyatt's Real Estate and Appraisal Service in Hot Springs. Russell's hard work and dedication over the years has helped him succeed and grow as a small business owner.